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REQUIREMENTS IN COMMUNIST CHINA

1. There are no known significant targets in Communist China

second interest, but the reports on which this interest is based are so tenuous as to be inadequate as a basis for coverage unless otherwise justified.)

2. Requirements for photographic coverage of Communist China stem from US security interests that range from immediate to long term. The immediate interests concern the threat to forces of the US and its allies in the Far East. The long term interests concern the economic strength of Communist China as a factor in evaluation of the over-all Communist Bloc threat to the free world. These interests are the basis for intelligence requirements for warning of the imminence of hostilities, for information on the capabilities of CHICOM military forces to initiate hostilities, for intelligence on capabilities for logistic support of hostilities in the near or distant future, either limited or all-out hostilities, and for clues on Communist China's strength economically to undertake foreign or domestic economic programs independently or in conjunction with the USSR.

3. The targets are arranged in Tab A in priority groups, the groups designed to represent categories of intelligence problems. Within each group, targets are arranged alphabetically signifying equal importance prioritywise. In Tab B, the targets are arranged by geographic area with commentary.

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Ad Hoc Requirements Committee

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